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## CLOSING DAYS OF HIGH SCHOOL DRAWING NEAR

Excellent Entertainments Being Prepared by Pupils Class Day May 15th.

In less than three weeks the Ontario school year of 1912-13 will have gone into history and from a historic standpoint it will compare favorably with anything of former years. All interest is now centering around the senior class, as it is the largest class ever leaving the high school. The class roll follows:

Leona Rader, president and salutatorian; Charles Gramae, secy-treas; Golda McGee, valedictorian; Sheila Lackey, Eva Vanderhoof, Chauncey Shamberger, Earl Thompson, Alex McPherson, Thomas Hardman, Fred Lackey, Louise Griffin, Villa Carter, Lorne Blackaby, Sprague Adam, Mary Joy, Ruth Teast, Ruth Doane, Earl Purcell, Villa Butler.

The senior program covers more than one week. Every citizen of the town is invited to participate and we can assure those who refuse to accept the invitation, that they will miss a program of more than ordinary interest. All but the first, that of May 8th, will be free. The program has been arranged as follows:

On May 8th at Dreamland, at 8:30 p. m., "A College Town." This is a strong character comedy. Admission fee of 50 and 25 cents will be charged. The usual Dreamland pictures will be put on just preceding the play.

On Sunday evening, May 11th, at 8 p. m., the Baccalaureate sermon will be preached in the Methodist church by Rev. R. J. Davidson. A special program of music has been arranged by Rev. Thomas Johns.

At the high school auditorium on Thursday, May 15th, commencing at 1:30 p. m., the seniors will give their annual Class day exercises. These exercises should be of interest to every patron of the high school and we hope to see seating capacity at a premium.

On Friday evening, May 16th, commencing at 8:30, the senior class of 1913 will receive their diplomas. Supt. J. H. Ackerman, for 14 years state superintendent of Oregon, and at present president of the Normal school at Monmouth, will deliver the address of the evening and in addition to this the class has selected four representatives as follows:

Alex McPherson—"The Latest Great Discovery," Leona Rader,—"American Ideals," Chauncey Shamberger—"Stepping Stones," Eva Vanderhoof—"The New Education."

The program will be interspersed with music by the Jones orchestra.

## O. W. R. & N. WILL FURNISH FREE SEED FOR FARMERS

Farmers who are interested in growing corn are invited to try seed furnished free by the O. W. R. & N. company. Twelve pound lots will be given out this being about enough to plant one acre, to all farmers applying for it. This is acclimated seed and C. L. Smith, agriculturalist for that line, maintains that Oregon can be made one of the foremost corn states.

## WEISER AND VALE HAVE EXCITING BALL GAME SUNDAY

Following is taken from the Weiser Signal:

Weiser grabbed the balloon in the third inning and sent up Vale's pitcher while they reached around the diamond for four scores, in the fourth they corraled two more and finished with one more in the fifth. The seven runs was a harricade over which the Vale boys couldn't get a look-in and they were held to one score until the first half of the ninth when Higgins got careless and moved too close to second base and a long drive, which came unexpected at the critical moment and two runs loped in and in a moment more the third was ended over.

With this condition Weiser tightened up and the finish came suddenly, closing with a grand total of 7 to 4. Spencer of Boise umpired.

## O. F. STROBEL DECLARES HE WILL PROSECUTE BEAULIEU

Ontario, Cal., April 27.—Declaring that a financial settlement does not interest him; that he has sufficient to provide for himself and family and that he will see Jack Beaulieu punished if he is obliged to stay here six months, O. F. Strobel, of Weiser, Idaho, father of Fay Strobel, the alleged wife No. 2, of the alleged bigamist, who arrived in Ontario Friday night, is pushing proceedings against the man he claims caused the downfall of his daughter.

If the bigamy charge fails to hold it is probable that a white slave charge will be lodged. Strobel has not yet seen Beaulieu, who is in jail, and judging from the remarks of the father it is just as well for the alleged bigamist.

## BALKAN SITUATION PUZZLES EUROPE

London.—The mystery surrounding events in the Balkans is becoming deepened. Word comes from Austria that the crown prince of Montenegro, Danilo, and his troops have marched out of Scutari toward the north, and that only five batteries of artillery remain in the fortress.

Essad Pasha's exploit in Albania is still clouded, and the situation in Saloniki is difficult to understand. A dispatch from Saloniki of current date confirms the report that orders were given for the Bulgars to evacuate all places occupied by the Greeks, but that later these orders were countermanded and that official attempts were made to pretend they were never given.

A Bucharest dispatch, dated April 20, to the Daily Telegraph, expresses the conviction that immediately peace is signed between the allies and Turkey, a new war will commence between Serbia, Bulgaria and Greece.

### JAMES M. LYNCH



James M. Lynch, head of the International Typographical Union, who was named public printer by President Wilson.

## MONTE GWINN WILL COMMENCE SHEARING SOON

Monte B. Gwinn was here Tuesday on his way to the ranch. He says they have not started shearing it being hard to get shearers with the heart to look a sheep in the face with free wool in sight, but they hope to have a crew busy in a few days.

## REORGANIZATION WOULD BENEFIT LANDS UNDER OWYHEE

Up to date the stockholders have taken out water in the Owyhee ditch for only 3743 acres of land. There is some 12000 acres under the ditch and when the stockholders get together and change their by-laws so the stockholders will have to pay for water whether they use it or not, then the 12000 acres will be cultivated.

## Short Line Official Announces Only One Extension for Idaho this Year.

Homedale Line Inspected But Nothing Known as to Intentions--O. W. R. & N. People to Connect at Odell West of Ontario.

Manager Bancroft, of the Short Line, and other officials were over the road as far west as Nyssa this week.

While in Boise they announced that the only extensions in Idaho this year would be the cut-off from Twin Falls to the Central Pacific.

The road from Nyssa to Homedale was inspected, but no announcement made as to when the line would be completed to Buhl or when train service would be started.

The O. W. R. and N. people have definitely decided to connect with the north and south road west of here at Odell and all orders are now being issued accordingly.

Two construction trains will be started about the 15 of the month, which indicates that they expect to have the tunnel open by that date and will be ready for the completion of the line to Riverside, where the grade is all ready for the rails when the bridges are built, some thirteen of them. The engineers are now cross sectioning the road west of mile post 80 and grading is expected to start in a short time. The Crane creek cut is the only heavy construction between Odell and Riverside.

## BRYAN'S MISSION NOT SUCCESSFUL

Majority in California Legislature Still in Favor of Alien Laws

Sacramento.—California in the fullness of her right as a state, may enact a rigid land law barring Orientals from ownership, but such action would be against the earnest wish of President Wilson and the national administration.

This is the substance of the message from Washington which W. J. Bryan, secretary of state and personal representative of the president, delivered to a secret conference attended only by Governor Johnson, Lieutenant-Governor Wallace and the 120 members of the state legislature.

Secretary Bryan's mission, however, seems to have failed, insofar as preventing action by the California legislature, as gleaned from a review of the proceedings. Governor Johnson sounded the keynote of the position of the majority party in a brief but intense speech in defense of California's position at the end of an all-day discussion with Secretary Bryan. He told Secretary Bryan that the right of California to follow the lead of other states was unquestioned, and declared that such a course now seems assured.

The address was brief, but it indicated plainly that the opinion of the governor remained unchanged by the arguments put forward by Mr. Bryan. Those who expected Secretary Bryan to expound a new theory of states' rights were disappointed, as were those who expected threats of war or other sinister predictions.

Advice in the name of President Wilson was all that Secretary Bryan had to offer, and the paramount question here is whether such advice will overcome the previously announced intention of the Republican majority to enact an alien land-holding law along lines already agreed upon.

Friedmann Said to Have Sold Rights. New York.—Dr. Frederick Franz Friedmann is reported to have sold the American rights for the sale of his turtle serum for \$1,925,000 to the Eisner-Mendelson company of this city. He received \$125,000 in cash and the balance in stock in the 36 Friedmann institutes which will be established in as many states, with a total capitalization of \$5,400,000. The first states to receive the Friedmann institutes will be New York, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico and California, where there are thousands of tuberculosis patients.

## WORK ON NEW CITY HALL GOING AHEAD VERY NICELY

The work on the city hall is progressing rapidly and the walls will soon loom up. The foundations are all in and the walls started.

## SHEEP SHEARERS LEAVE FOR SKULL SPRINGS MONDAY

A half dozen sheep shearers were taken to Skull Springs Monday in autos and they will start work at once. Bayers have been around and they figure on paying from four to five cents a pound less for wool than last year. This is to offset the proposed reduction in the duty on foreign wool.

## ORDERED TO MOVE ON BY PAYETTE MARSHAL

Old Burns Residents Come to Ontario and Buy a Home.

L. A. Parker, of Burns, a thirty year pioneer of that section, drove to Payette Wednesday and camped on some vacant lots. The city marshal ordered them out of town and they came to Ontario and bought the Erickson house. They were seeking a lower altitude and had gone to that city with the intention of locating there if given an opportunity. Mr. Siler, a brother-in-law, is with Mr. Parker and will also purchase a home here.

## GOOD CROWDS ATTEND THE HOLSTEIN COW SALE HERE

Saturday was Sale day in Ontario and there was a crowd on hand with plenty to sell and many bidders.

The Holstein cattle was the principal attraction and many of the animals offered were purchased and will soon be adding to the wealth of this section. The cattle were higher grade than the people here are accustomed to, but some of the new comers seemed to know their merits and went after them.

There is room for a thousand head of cows in the Snake river valley and when they are here there will be a much more healthy business condition and the farmers will be in the creditor class, rather than the debtor.

The cow and hog are great mortgage lifters and they can be handled here at greater profit than any other place.

## SUMPTER VALLEY PLACERS MINES MAKE GOOD SHOWING

Ed Butze, of Baker, representing the McKim & company machinery house was in Ontario this week looking up business in this section. He recently visited Sumpter, the mining camp near Baker, where a large dredge was installed last year. The dredge has many hundred acres of rich ground to work on and so far has been turning out about a dollar a minute.

Last week they struck some exceptional ground and took out \$30,000 in three hours that had been washed down from the hills. Other dredges are to be installed this season.

Don't fail to hear the new songs at the Dreamland Monday night.

## \$15,000 OBTAINED THROUGH SWINDLE

Portland.—Charged with dressing a dead body, the source of which is shrouded in mystery, in his clothing, having passed it off as his dead body and thereafter collecting through his wife a total of approximately \$15,000 from the Portland offices of an insurance company, the Postal Life, and two fraternal organizations, the Modern Woodmen of America and the United Artisans, James C. La France was placed under arrest at Coquille, Or., and is held as an accessory on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses.

His wife and the mother of his four children, the youngest less than six months old, was arrested with him and is being held as a principal. She it was, it is alleged, who collected the insurance money after the finding of what was supposed to be the dead body of her husband July 1, 1912, by a party of fishermen along the Clackamas river above Estacada.

La France's identity was first conclusively proved when, during the excitement of arrest, the children gathered around him and kept calling him "papa, papa," instead of "uncle," as Mrs. La France had declared Fergus was her brother-in-law.

The trail was taken up after the insurance people had satisfied themselves, by the evidence of acquaintances of La France who declared that they had seen him on the streets of Portland after his supposed death, that the alleged dead man was still in the land of the living.

## RAILROAD LABORER FOUND DEAD THIS WEEK NEAR NYSSA

Frank Jones, who was formerly a cook in one of the railroad camps out of Nyssa, was picked up along the railroad near Nyssa a few days ago. The coroner investigated and called it a case of too much whiskey and too little food.

### CORDELL HULL



by Harris & Ewing. Cordell Hull, congressman from Tennessee, who wrote the income tax section of the tariff bill.

### WOMEN TRAPPED IN RAID

Gambling Establishment Uncovered in Residence District of Oakland, Cal. Oakland, Cal.—The police uncovered a poolroom for women in a raid on a private house in the heart of a residential section. Mrs. Julia Ackerman, the alleged proprietress; Mrs. Adella Burnett, Mrs. Joseph Koebing and Rodolph Abraham were arrested. Half a dozen other women and several men were trapped, but the police released them owing, it was explained, to lack of sufficient evidence.

For two weeks, according to the police, numbers of women had been entering the Ackerman residence. Inspectors Thomas Wood and St. Clair Hodgkins stole up to the front door and forced an entrance. Mrs. Ackerman, Wood reported, leaped at him and clutched his throat. He said he shook her off and with Hodgkins ran into a room fully equipped as a poolroom. Results of the Alan, Idaho, races were being received over a telephone wire from San Francisco.

Hear the vaudeville at Dreamland Monday night.

## FIRST BALL GAME OF SEASON LAST SUNDAY

Results in Victory For The Payette Team With a Score of 3 to 0.

The opening games of the local base ball league were played Sunday. Vale was at Weiser and it was a surprise to the other teams in the league to have Weiser walk away with the game as the dopesters had figured it all out that the Vale team was the strongest in the league.

The Ontario team played at Payette to a small crowd, most of them Ontario fans. They have new grounds there near the city and when worked down a little will be good. The Ontario team was disappointed in two players not showing up, still they made a good showing with the Payette team and the boosters believe they are as good as the best in the league.

So far they have had no captain or manager and little practice and when straightened out still be all to the good. The pitching of Brunning was the feature of the game.

The score hardly shows the evenness of the game, a few costly errors by the Ontario boys made the difference.

On Sunday next the Weiser team goes to Vale and the Payette team comes here. The players should be greeted with a big crowd the admission, including grand stand, having been placed at 35 cents.

Following was the line-up last Sunday.

Ontario	Payette
Brunning, P	Easign, P
Smith, C	G Darnell, C
Maneman, 1st	Murphy, 1st
A Goldsmith, 2nd	R Darnell, 2nd
J Goldsmith, 3rd	Shake, 3rd
Jones, 1f	Shaffer, 1f
Kessler, 1f	Jenkins, 1f
J Kessler, rf	Hunter, rf

Brunning 8 strike-outs; Easign 4 strike-outs; Payette 6 hits; Ontario 5; Umpire, W. C. Beamgard, New Plymouth.

## ONTARIO SUPPLIES FOR FLOOD SUFFERERS RECEIVED

Mount Vernon, Ind., April 23, 1913.

Mrs. H. H. Whitney, Ontario, Ore.

My Dear Mrs. Whitney: A whole car loads of supplies from the people of your vicinity, through Adjutant General McCoy, of this state reached us this a. m. and now, tonight hundreds, yes thousands, are enjoying the contents. Hungry people are eating of your good things and saddened hearts are happy, all due to the magnificent gift. In the name of the flood sufferers I thank you. Millions are lost, but a kind, loving populace are lightening our burdens. Assuring you our greatest appreciation and again thanking you I am

Very Truly Yours, Jacob Conbach, Pres. Relief Flood Sufferers.

## JAMES LACKEY DIES IN THIS CITY TUESDAY NIGHT

James Russell Lackey, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lackey, died at the family residence Tuesday afternoon and was buried in the city cemetery this afternoon. Rev. Koenig officiating. Russell was born in Ontario November 9, 1897 and spent his short life here where his manly character made him a great favorite among his acquaintances.

## COUNTY BUYS GRADERS FOR IMPROVMENT OF ROADS

The county has been purchasing some graders for the road districts of the county and they propose making some good roads and keeping them in repair at a small cost. The problem of caring for the poor of the county is a big one and it is probable that it will end up with the purchase of a poor farm that may be made self supporting.